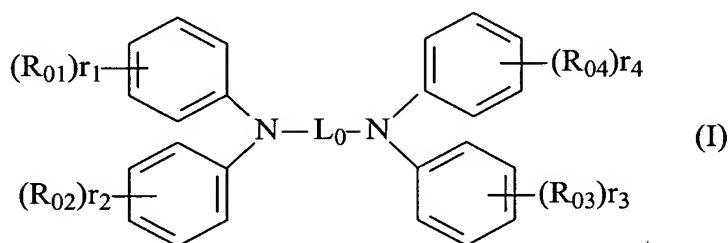


IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-11 (Canceled).

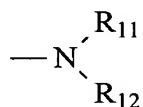
Claim 12 (New): An organic EL device comprising a cathode, an anode, and at least one organic compound layer,

wherein the organic compound layer comprises an organic compound represented by formula (I):



L_0 is substituted or unsubstituted o-, p-, or m-phenylene groups having two rings;

- r_2 and r_4 are each an integer of from 1-5,
- R_{02} and R_{04} are each an alkyl, aryl, alkoxy, aryloxy group, or define a fused aromatic ring,
- r_1 and r_3 equal 1, and
- R_{01} and R_{03} are each a diarylamino group having the following formula:



where R_{11} and R_{12} are each a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group.

Claim 13 (New): The organic EL device of claim 12, wherein L_0 is a 4,4'-biphenylene group.

Claim 14 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, further comprising at least two organic compound layers, wherein the organic compound layer comprising an organic compound of formula (I) is a hole injecting and transporting layer.

Claim 15 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, further comprising three or more layers comprising at least one organic compound layer having a function of injecting holes and at least one organic compound layer having a function of transporting holes, wherein:

the organic compound layer having said function of injecting holes comprises said organic compound of formula (I).

Claim 16 (New): The organic EL device of claim 14, wherein at least one layer of said at least two organic compound layers comprises a light emitting layer containing a hole transporting compound and an electron transporting compound.

Claim 17 (New): The organic EL device of claim 16, wherein said light emitting layer is disposed between an organic compound layer having a function of injecting holes and/or transporting holes and an organic compound layer having a function of transporting electrons and/or injecting electrons.

Claim 18 (New): The organic EL device of claim 14 comprising a hole injecting electrode, at least one organic compound layer having a function of injecting and transporting holes, an organic compound layer having a function of transporting holes, a light emitting layer, and an electron injecting electrode laminated on said hole injecting electrode in the described order.

Claim 19 (New): The organic EL device of claim 15 comprising a hole injecting electrode, at least one organic compound layer comprising said compound of formula (I), a light emitting layer, and an electron injecting electrode laminated on said hole injecting electrode in the described order.

Claim 20 (New): The organic EL device of claim 14, wherein said hole injecting and transporting layer has a thickness of at least 100 nm.

Claim 21 (New): The organic EL device of claim 16, wherein said layer comprising said organic compound represented by formula (I) has a Hole mobility of at least $1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$.

Claim 22 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, wherein the organic compound is compound no. 295 as described in Table 55 of the specification.

Claim 23 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, wherein the organic compound is compound no. 296 as described in Table 55 of the specification.

Claim 24 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, wherein the organic compound is compound no. 297 as described in Table 55 of the specification.

Claim 25 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, wherein the organic compound is compound no. 298 as described in Table 55 of the specification.

Claim 26 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, wherein the organic compound is compound no. 299 as described in Table 55 of the specification.

Claim 27 (New): The organic EL device of claim 13, wherein the organic compound is compound no. 300 as described in Table 55 of the specification.

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

The specification and abstract have been amended to be consistent with the amendment in the parent application.

Claims 1-11 have been canceled, and replaced with new Claims 12-27. The new claims are supported by the original claims, and in addition by Compound Nos. 295-300 in Table 55 at page 67 of the specification.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the above amendment. Claims 12-27 are now pending in the application.